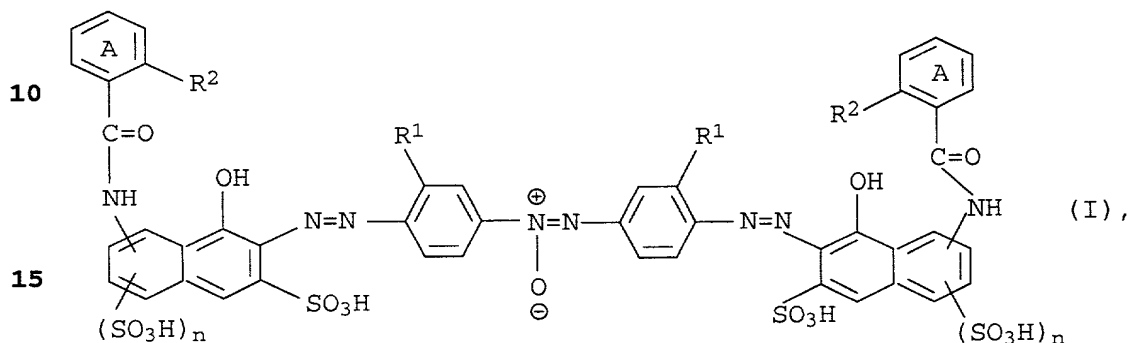


## Azoxy dyes and copper complexes thereof

## Abstract

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Azoxy dyes of the general formula I in the form of the free acid



where

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n is 0 or 1, each

R<sup>1</sup> is selected from the group consisting of methoxy, hydroxyl and carboxyl, each

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R<sup>2</sup> is selected from the group consisting of carboxyl, amino, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>-alkylamino, allylamino, benzylamino and methoxycarbonylmethylamino, and the phenyl rings A may additionally be substituted by C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkyl, unsubstituted or methyl- or halogen-substituted phenyl, hydroxyl, amino, nitro, halogen, carboxyl, N-benzylcarbamoyl, unsubstituted or nitro-, halogen-, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>-alkoxy- or acetoxy-substituted phenylcarbamoyl and naphthylcarbamoyl or be benzofused,

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their copper complexes, a process for preparing the copper complex dyes, azoxy dyes of the formula I in their partially or completely deacylated form, their copper complexes, colorants comprising these azoxy dyes and/or their copper complexes and also their use for dyeing and printing natural or synthetic substrates.

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